

NEW WINE IS BEST
SACRAMENTO (U.P.) — The 1939 vintage of California wines is of substantially higher quality than previous vintages, the state bureau of food and drug inspection declared this week.

Miss Mary Bray is making a satisfactory recovery from a recent illness but is still unable to receive visitors.
 The judge says: "Take time or do time."

The greatest number of fires in New York City's history was 31,094 in 1882.
 Lotteries were a common method of raising money for churches in the colonial period.

Primitive Hawaiian Stove Seen in Action at Cooking School

Cooking on a native Hawaiian chicken heka stove is a far cry from the convenience of modern electric cooking on a streamlined 1941 Frigidaire range, but it proved an interesting sidelight on the program presented by Miss Kay Gilbert, celebrated home economist, on her program yesterday afternoon at the Happy Kitchen Cooking School sponsored by The Torrance Herald and The Lomita News.

While on a recent tour of the Hawaiian Islands, Miss Gilbert acquired one of these primitive little outdoor ovens that the natives on the islands use. She used it to demonstrate charcoal cooking on outdoor fireplaces.

Other interesting features are planned for tonight and tomorrow afternoon, the final sessions of the cooking school,

when many valuable prizes will be awarded. The public is cordially invited and no admission is charged. Tonight's program begins at 8 o'clock and Friday's session begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. All sessions are held at the Torrance Civic Auditorium.

NUT CONFIRMED

State Highway Patrolmen have discovered only a negligible portion of auto accidents are caused by mechanical defects thereby giving a new lease of life to that ancient and honorable wheeze about the nut behind the steering wheel.

TWO KINDS OF BELLS

Cutting in at dances sometimes paves the way for wedding bells, writes a heart throbber. And on the highways it paves the way for tolling bells.

The Story Was Too Tall, Sub



Commander Howell of Confederate Veterans escorts Major Edward James Monroe, left, from White House, after he said he was son of President James Monroe and 124 years old. Records show President Monroe had only two daughters.

New Machines Simplify County Tax Billing

The job of sending out tax bills to more than 700,000 property owners in Los Angeles county is being simplified this year by new machines being used in the offices of County Assessor John R. Quinn and Tax Collector H. L. Byram. Two makes of equipment are being tested.

Descriptions of the parcels of taxable property and the name and address of the owner are being imprinted on metal plates, on one type of machine, and on cards on another type. The descriptions appear on pages in the assessor's books, and the same plate then issued to make the impression on the tax bill. (The tax bill, in turn, of course makes the impression on the taxpayer, completing the cycle.)

Names and address of taxpayers are on different plates, and appear on the top of the tax bill. The plates are fed into a machine when the tax bills are prepared and the impressions appear in the proper place on the bill. The address plates are then used a third time to address the envelope to the taxpayer, thus saving another laborious operation at one time done entirely on typewriters.

Property descriptions have heretofore been written in long hand, for the most part, in large books. Under the new system the typewritten descriptions are more legible, which is more important than the average taxpayer realizes since these books are consulted many times daily by employees of the office, title searchers for title companies, attorneys and collection agencies.

Electrical Men Keep Pace With Coast Business



C. E. HOUSTON

Directors of the Pacific Coast Electrical Association meeting today at Pomona announced plans for increased activity within the association to keep pace with the rapid advancement of business thruout the coast area. The association, representing more than 3,000 members of various branches of the electrical industry, has a strong membership here.

Building activity has put new and greater demands on all branches of the electrical business, according to C. E. Houston, president of the association and assistant general manager of the Southern California Edison Company. The industry, likewise, has geared itself to the demands of the national defense program in this part of the country.

The directors of the association chose Coronado as the location of the 24th annual convention next May, expected to be the most important in PCEA history, and named Richard E. Smith, Edison company executive assistant, as convention chairman. Activities of the association for the 1940-1941 year just beginning were outlined and the association budget was approved. The directors, leading executives of electrical companies in California and Arizona, were Houston's guests at the Los Angeles county fair, of which he has been president since 1933.

He will receive \$155 a month. He was reported high man on the recent civil service examination. The recreation room over the central fire station has been plastered and painted in preparation for its conversion into sleeping quarters. The smaller room formerly occupied as a barracks, will become the new game room, according to Fire Chief J. W. McMaster.

RUST IS MENACE
 Rust spots which show through the exterior finish of a car should be given attention before the rainy season begins, to prevent spreading.

Earth Tremors Are Getting Monotonous

Its bark was louder than its bite.
 In other words the earthquake that visited Lomita Thursday night came with a roar but did no damage. At 9:58 p. m. it rumbled and shook hard but subsided decently without even breaking dishes. Anyone who could sleep through it is a wonder.

On Friday afternoon at 4:25 the earth swayed again here but it was just a tremor, like the roll of a slightly heavy wave. Additional quakes were felt throughout the week.

Quebec, Canada, was founded in 1608.

Want Ads 25c

Parents Want High School to Stress Fundamentals

John New Given, speaking before Narbonne P. T. A., Tuesday evening, gave results of a survey conducted by him at 25 senior high schools as to the kind of high school preparation parents desired for their children.

More stress on fundamentals, penmanship, spelling, reading and arithmetic; and earlier vocational training were the chief objectives favored, according to the survey, with children helped to a vocational choice early in their high school career. Also, most parents favored more vocational training in high schools.

The meeting was very well attended, about 150 being present. Members of the faculty and executive board served dessert preceding the meeting in the cafeteria, the flower arrangement class decorating the tables. Music was furnished by the Little Symphony group and Mrs. R. L. Lewis led community singing.

In the auditorium the group was entertained by the Senior glee club, directed by Mrs. Eleanor Klein with Jean Hornstra at the vibraharp and Fern Wickstrom at the piano. James Van Patten, faculty baritone, was enjoyed in several Scotch numbers. Stanley Johnson, student, gave a brief Community Chest talk. Hospitality committee were Mesdames S. C. Murray, Leo Sulter, H. C. Higgs and the executive board.

Fire Department Gets 9th Member in Neil Whitney

The ninth member of the Torrance fire department is Neil Whitney, 26, of 2111 Arlington avenue, who was appointed to a six-month probationary job last week. On conclusion of this service and with approval of the city council he will become a regular member of the fire fighting force and be under civil service regulations.

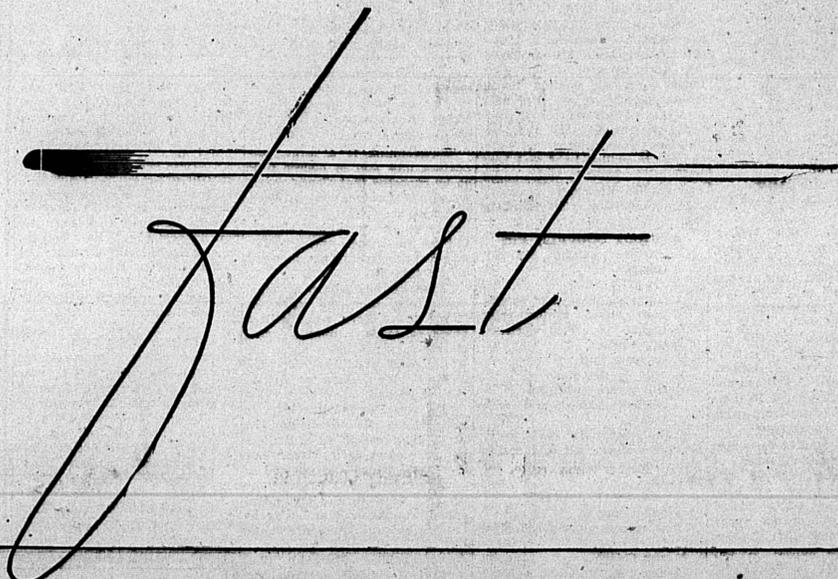
Appointed originally for the vacation-relief period, Whitney



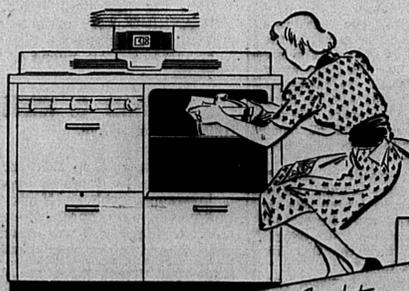
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